CalPLUS FHA Program



The CalPLUS FHA program is an FHA-insured loan featuring a CalHFA fixed interest rate first mortgage. This fixed interest rate first mortgage is fully amortized for a 30-year term and is combined with a CalHFA FHA Zero Interest Program (ZIP) for down payment assistance only.

The FHA ZIP second loan is only available with CaIPLUS FHA and is a silent second loan for up to 3.5% of the first mortgage total loan amount (including Up Front Mortgage Insurance Premium [UFMIP]). The interest rate is zero percent (0.00%) and the payment is deferred for the life of the first mortgage or until the property is transferred or the first mortgage loan is refinanced.

This program can also be combined with the California Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance Program (CHDAP).

Term: Up to 30 year fixed rate

LTV and CLTV: Follow FHA first mortgage underwriting guidelines for the maximum Loan-to-

Value (LTV)

The maximum Combined Loan-to-Value (CLTV) cannot exceed 105%

Maximum Loan Amount: The maximum first-mortgage loan amount (excluding UFMIP) cannot exceed FHA loan limits for the county in which the property is located or \$417,000,

whichever is less.

For FHA High Balance loan limits please see CalHFA rate sheet for add-ons.

The maximum ZIP loan amount is up to 3.5% of the first mortgage total loan amount (including financed UFMIP), not to exceed the FHA minimum required investment

Borrower Eligibility:

Available for both first-time homebuyer(s) or non-first-time homebuyer(s)

- At the time of loan closing, no borrowers may have an ownership interest in any residential dwelling (a manufactured home regardless of the type of property ownership, is considered a residential dwelling for this purpose
 - First-Time Homebuyer Exception: The current homeownership requirement will be waived when the borrower(s) meet CalHFA's definition of a first-time homebuyer

Borrower(s) must:

- Meet CalHFA income limits for this loan program
- Occupy the property as their primary residence
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident alien, or qualified alien
- Non-occupant co-borrowers are not allowed
- Non-occupant co-signers are allowed per FHA guidelines

Minimum Credit

Minimum 640 credit score (660 minimum credit score for manufactured

Score: housing)

When multiple CalHFA loan programs are used in combination, the most restrictive guidelines will apply.

Maximum Total Debt-to-Income Ratio:

Maximum 45.00% total debt-to-income ratio regardless of Automated Underwriting System (AUS) findings or compensating factors

Property Eligibility:

- Sales price of the home cannot exceed <u>CalHFA's sales price limits</u> established for the county in which the property is located
- Be a single-family, one-unit residence, including PUDs or FHA approved condominiums
- Manufactured home must be on a permanent foundation and follow all FHA and US Bank guidelines (www.mrbp.usbank.com); in addition, a minimum credit score of 660 is required

Additional Property Guidelines

Leasehold / Land Trusts and Co-ops are not permitted

Energy Efficient Mortgage (EEM):

FHA's Energy Efficient Mortgage (EEM) program is allowed

Follow FHA EEM guidelines

Seller Concessions / Contributions:

Concessions/contributions as per FHA guidelines except the following:

- Payment of condominium fees
- Personal property
- Down payment assistance

Homebuyer Education:

Homebuyer Education is required for one occupying first-time homebuyer.

Homebuyer Education is not required for non-first-time homebuyer(s).

- Online Homebuyer Education through <u>EHome</u>™
- Face-to-Face Homebuyer Education through <u>NeighborWorks America</u> or through one of the HUD approved Housing Counseling Agencies

Participating Lenders:

• Lenders must be CalHFA approved, US Bank approved and FHA approved

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